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Dear Elevator Owner:

A new law was recently enacted which expands the definition of "owner occupied single family residences" to include both attached and detached residences. As a result, attached and detached single family owner occupied residences will only require inspection every **five** years rather than the current requirement of every year. Please note that this provision only applies to elevators in owner occupied residences that serve *only* the residence. Common area elevators that service all floors of the building still require annual inspections. This new law is retroactive and will apply to all certificates granted within the twelve months prior to the law's effective date of February 17, 2012. Therefore, if you currently live in an owner occupied single family residence and your elevator was inspected anytime between February 17, 2011 to the present, and it received a one year certificate, you will be eligible to receive an additional four year certificate.

In order for the Department of Public Safety ("Department") to update its records and properly apply this new law, please complete the brief statement below and return it to the Department at One Ashburton Place, Room 1301, Attn: Debbie Ho, Boston, MA 02108. If you have any questions, please refer to the Department's website at www.mass.gov/dps.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Very truly yours,

Thomas J. Costello, III
Acting Chief of Elevator Inspections

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I hereby certify under the pains and penalties of perjury that:

☐ I live in a single family owner occupied residence and I currently have a one year elevator inspection certificate

Name: _____   Elevator ID #: _____

Address: _____

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Signature   Date